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Try the WANT ADS.

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Have You Anything to Sell?
Try the WANT ADS.

Miller & Rhoads

Xmas Time Is Valuable!

No matter what's on your gift-list, or how many friends have to be remembered,

Save Time By Trying
Miller & Rhoads FIRST!

The Xmas Gift Par Excellence Is

KID GLOVES!

Kid Gloves are appreciated for their usefulness, as well as for the thoughtfulness of the giver, and they become "the safe gift" when they are purchased at a reliable store.

The Kid Gloves we sell we import direct from the world's great makers of Germany, England and France. They are right in quality as well as correct in style.

ENGLISH DOESKIN—The Glove that wears and washes, in white only, one clasp	\$1.50
12-button length	\$3.00
16-button length	\$8.50
ROECKEL'S "LAURETTA"—A splendid two-clasp Glove, with flit of three-row embroidered backs. In all colors and sizes	\$1.00
ROECKEL'S "BEAUTY"—A very stylish two-clasp real Kid Glove, perfect fitting; these come in self or contrast stitching, in black, tan or white	\$1.50
DENT'S ENGLISH WALKING CAPE GLOVE—Two clasp, in colors, tan, black and white	\$2.00
REYNIER SUEDE GLOVES—Three clasp, in tan, gray, black and white	\$1.75
REYNIER GLACIA—Three clasp, in colors, black and white	\$2.00
REYNIER CHEVRETTA TANNE CAPE GLOVE—One of the best makes and are most correct for street wear; two-clasp, in tan and black	\$2.25

Table Silver! Cut Glass!

Make Sensible Xmas Gifts

Such a gift is one that will please at Xmas time, and all the year round, for many years. Many pleasing gifts in Cut Glass, best quality Plated Silver, and even in Sterling (solid) Silver are shown in the Miller & Rhoads Basement Gift Store—some as low as \$1.00, \$1.50 and \$2.00. All are GIFTS OF QUALITY, and they look it.

BEAUTIFUL CUT GLASS

6-inch Handled Bonbon Dishes	\$1.00
7-inch 2-Handled Bonbon Dishes	\$2.50
10-inch Vase—Rock crystal cut	\$3.50
3-pint Pitcher—Rock crystal cut	\$3.25
Glasses to match, per dozen	\$5.00
8-inch Cut Glass Bowls, new cut	\$7.50
8-inch Fern Dish—Rock crystal cut, silver lining	\$2.60
8-inch Fern Dish—Buz cut, silver lining	\$5.00
9-inch Bowl—new, rich cutting	\$3.80
10-inch Vase—Rock crystal cut	\$2.50
Sugar and Cream Set—Rock crystal cut	\$3.50

BEST QUADRUPLE PLATE SILVER

3-piece Silver Water Set, plain and burnished, for	\$8.50
3-piece Silver Tea Set, new shape, for	\$10.80
3-pint Baking Dish, plain Colonial shape, for	\$5.00
Silver Butter Dish, plain Colonial shape, for	\$3.50
Child's Silver Cups, in new designs, for	\$1.50
Sandwich Plates, in flange designs	\$2.25
Silver Sugar and Cream Sets, grape border	\$2.75
6-inch Silver Card Trays for	\$1.25
Silver Bread Trays, beaded edge, for	\$2.50

Basement.

MAJOR I. G. BIBBLE TELLS HOW HE'LL REWARD HIS DEAR FRIENDS

Not Much of a Shopper, but He's Liberal to a Fault in Dealing With His Family.

"So long as they are going to shop at all, you might tell them to take the bull by the horns, and shop early," said Major I. G. Bibble, in an interview with a reporter for The Times-Dispatch last night. "But I don't subscribe to the shopping doctrine in any form whatsoever. Does the postman come to this town think me foolish enough to send presents before the day is made, and I find out if I'm to get anything? I'm too much like an old fox to give until I've got mine. You may call me a Spur, a possessor of whatnot, but take it from me, I'm not going to give anybody anything, spending by and large, of course, I have a few very, very dear friends to whom I will give a pleasant look. Now I don't fair to them to reward them ahead of the holiday season. To other dear friends I will say, 'Good morning,' and to others I will nod. To members of my immediate family I will send post cards with beautiful sentiments printed on the reverse side. I will reward my faithful dog by taking him out for his daily walk, and I will make him happy when I had given him a string of pearls. I cannot make up my mind to do for my little boy, Oscar Bibble, but when he is an industrious, good and always drawing pictures, I will offer to sharpen his pencil. As my daughter is huge about that sort of thing, I will take my morning paper, tear out the part of her name, and put it in to her name, and I'll bet she won't wait until I get through with it for her desert."

SAVINGS BANK
RICHMOND
The Savings Bank is strongest in its customers because the service rendered has been the best.

spendthrift, but like Eva Tanguay, I don't care; indeed, I don't care. What's the use to just throw your money away on a Christmas tree when you can play Santa Claus as liberally as I will play him in my own happy home. This picture of our beautiful Christmas has been passed by the National Board of Censors, and I'll tell the world that I wish it came every month. But twist this around in your head: The man who rides in a taxicab thinks he's a sport, but the man who wears a new steeklin in a new necktie on Christmas morning ought to be shot at sunrise. "There was a time when I was crazy like a fox—years ago when I was a back hand on the Mississippi river steamboat. On December 24 we got into Vicksburg and decided to lay over. It was a dark and stormy night and the snow was falling fast. The ice was 300 feet deep in the harbor. About 8 o'clock I went to a chair looking over the harbor. Behind the Merry Christmas! come in the house and get your neck shaved. Well, to make a long story short, it was ten years before they ever repaired that harbor. But ever since I have saluted me that way, I've looked on life differently, become a cheerful optimist, and have endeavored to be a little more generous and warm-hearted in dealing with my fellow man. In the first place, what right had he to greet me that way, when he did not even know my last name? Besides, the Bibles are Virginians—they don't have their necks shaved in the winter."

Wanted in Suffolk.
E. D. Ketchum was arrested yesterday on the charge of stealing two rings from William Ogden, also colored.

Say She Stole Rings.
Iola Cosby, colored, was arrested yesterday on the charge of stealing two rings from William Ogden, also colored.

St. Ann's Made \$200.
St. Ann's Benevolent Society reports that \$200 was realized from the charity sale conducted Thursday at the Weisberger Company's store.

REPRESENTATIVE TALKS OF CONSTITUTIONAL PLAN

Constitutional Amendment Authorizes Cities of Over 50,000 to Abolish Council.

DELEGATES' WIDE POWERS

Legislature Could Supplant Bicameral Form With Small Paid Council.

Into the charter change agitation, which has assumed a new momentum, the questions now pending before the City Council, has been injected in the last few days an entirely new issue, which, it is believed, will play a significant part in the disposition of at least that portion of the program which proposes to vest the Council with authority, in its discretion, to place the Police, Fire and other departments under the direction of the Administrative Board.

At the fall elections of 1912 the people of Virginia ratified a constitutional amendment, empowering the Legislature to grant special forms of government to cities in the Commonwealth of over 50,000 population. The amendment, it is claimed by competent lawyers, gives room for what is virtually equivalent to government by commission. Under it, it is believed, even the City Council may be abolished and another body endowed with legislative and administrative powers substituted.

The discussion of the amendment and its possibilities attained considerable proportions yesterday among members of the present division of authority between the Council and the Administrative Board. They expressed the feeling that the present division must in some form of municipal government be centralized in either the Administrative Board or similar paid commission.

"With such a solution almost inevitable," said a member of the Board of Aldermen, who preferred not to be quoted until sentiment became more crystallized, "I am opposed to giving the Council the power to subordinate the three independent departments to the Administrative Board. I am of the opinion that before two more years pass there will be a distinct movement toward the adoption of our form of government, and until that movement takes shape things had better remain as they are."

Gives Wide Powers.

The amendment which has been proclaimed and is now part of the Constitution, modifies section 117, article 8, which lays down the general law prescribing the form of government for cities. One of the purposes of this article, previous to its amendment, is the bicameral council.

Under the amendment the General Assembly is given power to depart in any respect from the form of organization and government prescribed by this article, and to provide from time to time such form of government as it may deem best for the General Assembly may deem best. Such new form of government, however, it is provided, shall become operative only after it has been approved by a majority of the qualified electors of the city or town where it shall be applied.

Gives Room for Commission.

The amendment contains a provision which closed doors to the possibility that the General Assembly may authorize a system of government by commission, such commission to assume the legislative powers now delegated by the Constitution to the bicameral council.

The significant passage in the amended Constitution reads:

"All the limitations on the powers of councils of cities and towns imposed by this article shall apply in like manner to the principal legislative authority under any form of government that may be authorized hereunder. The term 'council' as used in sections 115 and 127 of this Constitution shall be construed to include the body which, under any form of municipal government, shall be vested with the principal legislative authority of such municipality."

"The General Assembly, for the purpose of this article, may classify cities according to their population, but the maximum population for each class shall exceed the minimum for the same class by at least 10,000. The General Assembly, at the request, made in the manner which may be prescribed by law of any city having a population of over 50,000 inhabitants, may grant a special form of government for such city."

Although the amendment was framed and passed by two succeeding Legislatures to give relief particularly to Richmond and Norfolk—the only two cities that have populations in excess of 50,000—the amendment has not been passed by the City Council in the last few days turned to it for inspiration in the present unrest.

The propositions for a new form of government range all the way from a pure commission, modeled after Western ideas, to a small paid Council, on the lines of the Baltimore plan. Those who discussed it yesterday were in general favor of the latter plan, which, it is claimed, retains the benefits of the bicameral check, and the administrative convenience of the board of commissioners.

Whatever the new agitation may lead to, it is generally agreed that no change of government will be asked of the General Assembly that convenes next month. The leaders in the movement, however, make the prediction that the present division of authority between the Administrative Board and the Council will within two or three years give way to the modified commission government, for which the way was paved by the adoption last year of the amendment to article 8 of the Constitution.

MRS. AUSTIN HURT

Injured in Fire Accident on New "Accident-Proof" Car.

The first accident on the new, side-door, "accident-proof" cars of the Virginia Railway and Power Company occurred yesterday morning at 11 o'clock at Seventh and Broad Streets, where Mrs. W. L. Austin, of Barton Heights, was alighting. The conductor, who thought Mrs. Austin had stepped down, pushed the button which operated the automatic doors. They quickly came together, and Mrs. Austin was caught. She was released, however, and many persons came to her assistance, showing her sympathy and concern. She was rendered emergency treatment by Dr. W. P. Matthews, and taken to her home, 512 Montford Avenue.

Mrs. Austin boarded the car, of the Ginter Park division, near her home, and was on her way to church at the time of the accident.

SENATE BEGINS WORK ON BUDGET

Finance Committee Convenes To-Morrow Night to Draft 1914-15 Appropriation Bill.

HAS \$1,000,000 BALANCE

Committee Confronted for First Time in Years by Big Surplus in Treasury.

Legislative activities incident to the convening of the General Assembly next month, began at 7:30 o'clock to-morrow night, with the meeting of the Senate Committee on Finance, to take up work on the appropriation bill for 1914-15. The session will be held in the Senate chamber.

The meeting of the Finance Committee in advance of the opening of the Legislature was authorized under a resolution introduced by Senator Folkes and passed shortly before the last General Assembly adjourned, directing it to assemble in Richmond a month before the convening of the Legislature, to prepare a draft of the appropriation bill to be submitted to the Senate when that body convenes on January 14.

The bill will be entered as a special and continuing order on the Senate calendar on the day after the General Assembly is opened. It was the purpose of the patron of the resolution to secure the consideration of the appropriation act early, in order to avoid conflict with the other weighty matters that will claim the attention of the lawmakers toward the end of the session.

Echols Expected To-Morrow. Senator Echols, of Staunton, who is chairman of the Senate Committee on Finance, will arrive to-morrow afternoon to preside over the sessions. The session of the Finance Committee will be held to-morrow morning, but it was postponed until to-morrow night to permit Senator Echols to vote in to-morrow's local option election in Staunton.

The other members of the Senate Finance Committee are expected to-day. As the holdover body, the Senate's Finance Committee served at the session of the House Finance Committee last night, the session opens and a Speaker is elected. By that time, it is expected, the first draft of the Senate appropriation bill will be ready to be submitted for its consideration.

State Has Surplus.

For the first time in years the committee will take up the framing of an appropriation bill in an actual balance. The State Treasury, State Auditor C. Lee Moore estimates that if expenditures are continued on the present scale of maintenance, without either special appropriations or acts of the General Assembly, the State will have at the end of this year nearly \$1,000,000 in its treasury. Under the terms of the Finance Committee, the committee will be required to estimate the running expenses, shows an estimated balance at the end of the present fiscal year of \$881,623.61.

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Northern Railway Earnings.

Estimated earnings of the Northern Railway for the first week in December show an increase of \$23,975, as compared with the corresponding week last year.

WALKS INTO TRAP SET BY OFFICERS

Walter Boyd, Charged With Murder, Visits House Where They Awaited Him.

Walter Boyd, colored, wanted for the murder of Benjamin Franklin, unconsciously walked into the arms of Detective-Sergeant W. H. Kellam yesterday while they were seeking information as to his whereabouts. The negro was no more surprised than the detectives were. His surprise quickly changed to fright, he became paralyzed with fear and could not move.

Wiley and Kellam had waited nearly all night at Boyd's home, 702 West Tenth Street, expecting him to return. When he failed to show up, they learned that he had a friend, known as "Hessie," who lived in West Moore Street, and were told that "Hessie" could likely give them some information.

They were in "Hessie's" home when a rap sounded on the front door. "Hessie" opened it, and in stepped two negroes. "That's him," cried "Hessie," pointing to Boyd. The latter was unable to move, but his companion lost no time in turning about and making a quick getaway.

Boyd was taken to the Second Police Station, and locked up on a charge of murder. He is alleged to have shot Franklin on Saturday because his wife told him that Franklin had insulted her.

Coroner Taylor will hold an inquest into the case this morning at 10 o'clock.

\$16.50 for Suits Worth up to \$30.00
\$16.50 for Overcoats Worth up to \$35.00

The last week of the sale starts this morning. Sizes are still complete and varieties are still ample.

Gans-Rady Company

ARRESTED AFTER HIS HONEYMOON

Street Car Conductor Charged With Stealing Passenger's Handbag and Rosary.

W. S. Walder, twenty-two years old, a street car conductor, who was married several days ago in Washington, and who returned yesterday from his wedding trip, was arrested a few hours later on a charge of petit larceny. He is alleged to have stolen \$5 from Mrs. Thomas Ryan, of 305 North Twenty-third Street.

Walder was found by Detective-Sergeants Wiley and Kellam at his home, 2112 West Main Street, and was taken to the Second Police Station, where he furnished bail for his appearance this morning in Police Court. He denied the charge.

More than a week ago Mrs. Ryan said to have left her handbag, containing the money and a rosary, on a Broad and Twenty-fifth Street car, said to have been in charge of Walder. An unidentified man is understood to have picked it up and turned it over to the conductor, whose number he took.

The next day he saw an advertisement in a newspaper for the return of the bag and money. He notified Mrs. Ryan by telephone what he had done, and gave her the number of the conductor and the car. Mrs. Ryan summoned Kellam and explained to him what had occurred, and upon his advice she caused the warrant for Walder's arrest to be sworn out.

At the time the case against Walder was not clear, and the execution of the warrant was delayed, in order to give the police time to collect evidence. Mrs. Ryan told Kellam an accurate description of the rosary, so that he could easily identify it. Yesterday Kellam learned that a sister of Walder had it. He called at her home and asked to see it. She produced it, and Walder's arrest quickly followed. Wiley and Kellam assert that Walder gave it to her.

Walder said that the only purse which had lately been picked up on his car contained two car tickets and a rosary, which was claimed by an old colored woman.

THOUSANDS GAZE ON OLD FLOATING HELL

Convict Ship Success, Which Opens To-Day, Big Sunday Attraction in City Dock.

In the presence of Mayor Ainslie and prominent officials of the State and city governments, the ancient convict ship Success, sole survivor of the fleet of floating hells that beat between the British Isles and Australia a century ago, will be opened to the public to-day at 12:30 o'clock. About 150 invited guests will go aboard the Success, which is lying at the foot of Eighteenth Street in the City Dock, at 11:30 o'clock for a private view.

Aside from the distinction of being the oldest ship afloat, the Success has a history of horrors more gruesome than the most fantastic tale of sea tortures ever spun in fiction. On board were enacted daily for years inhuman scenes as have been painted by Lew Wallace in Ben-Hur's life as a prisoner on a Roman galley. One is alternately shocked by the visible relics of an age of barbarism and thrilled by the thought of the former splendor of this old East Indian.

For several weeks the Success has been lying off Norfolk after a voyage across the Atlantic and down the coast from New England. She was towed up the James River by a steam tug and given a berth at the city wharf on Friday morning. On looking over the situation her commander and owner, Captain R. H. Smith, selected a berth in the City Dock, as the most accessible to the public for his ship. The Success was warped into this berth on the same afternoon.

The general public will be admitted to inspect the Success and her store of relics of a period more barbarous than the Revolution began to-day at 12:30 o'clock. Guides, who are thoroughly familiar with her history, will accompany the visitors around the vessel, explaining the interesting points and answering any questions asked by the visitors.

With practically a single exception the Success stands to-day just as she left the awful convict trade, and that is to say, with little altered since coming from the hands of her builders at Moulmain, British East India, 123 years ago. Without offering the original air of the ship, Captain Smith has put in a system of electric lights to enable visitors to view tortions of the vessel, which were intended to be in darkness. After to-day, and during the few days the Success remains on exhibition here, the public will be admitted to view the Success at 10 o'clock in the morning and 10 o'clock at night. The lighting system, which was a night vision inspection as interesting to the visitor as a visit in daylight.

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Although refused admittance to the vessel, the unusualness of the old convict ship proved a magnet, and 10,000 people viewed her from every possible angle, as well as from the high raised deck, blunt aggressive ancient timbers and out-of-date windows were to be seen from the street, and offered a sensation not seen for many years. "Oh, You Beautiful Doll," played on a cornet with Australian variations by a sailor in the cabin, caught the crowd.

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BOARD TO FINISH MONTHLY DOCKET

Adjourned Meeting To-Night Is Confronted by Many Important Ordinances.

Awaiting disposition by the adjourned meeting of the Board of Aldermen to-night is a half-finished docket, carrying a number of measures of more than ordinary moment, and the charter change program which was rejected by the Board on Tuesday night, but which will be taken up anew under a reconsideration of the vote by which it was lost.

The docket contains a resolution reported with the unanimous approval of the Committee on Public Buildings, Properties and Utilities, authorizing the City Attorney to acquire, through the usual channels, certain property in the Smiths Hill section of the city, on North Seventh Street, for park purposes. The plan is to found a park that may be conveniently used by the colored settlement in that section of the city.

An ordinance unanimously approved by the same committee provides for a reduction in the price of gas from 50 cents to 30 cents a thousand cubic feet. Another ordinance of the docket provides for the employment of E. J. Warren, the present City Auditor, at the expiration of his term, as Assistant Auditor, at an annual salary of \$1,200 a year.

The report and resolution of the Union Station Committee will for the first time be up for disposition by the Board. It includes the joint station plan of the Atlantic Coast Line and Richmond, Fredericksburg and Potomac Railroads.

May Be Highwayman.

Moses Williams, colored, was arrested yesterday by Policemen Gerring and W. E. Harris and Detective-Sergeant Bailey on the charge of feloniously assaulting Arthur Jackson, Williams is also believed to be guilty of a recent highway robbery, when a colored driver of a local grocery firm was assaulted and robbed. The police are making a diligent investigation against him in that case.

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At that time, when Australia was filling up at an astonishing rate with convicts, there were no towns in which desperate criminals might be confined. In the deserted transport Success the Australian government saw an opportunity and took her for a floating prison. She was already equipped with rows of dingy cells, whiplapping triangles, instruments of torture and punishment, and all ancient apparatus of penal institutions. As many as 300 prisoners were confined on the Success at one time. She witnessed murder, deaths and executions still without number, and her decks still bear the marks of the dragging from shackles of the convicts.

PUBLIC RESPONSES TO URGENT APPEAL

Many Donations to Colored Children's Home, Which Is Doing Great Work.

Liberal response has met the appeal of the Colored Children's Home, at 1513 Taylor Street, for funds with which to carry on the work started five years ago by a colored woman whose faithful effort is just being rewarded. She secured without remuneration, picking up crumbs of assistance and comfort here and there, until now the work is being aided by a number of white women, who have recognized the value of the labor. Contributions were made in money, in clothing and food and in work to make the home habitable. The house has been bought, and the first payment made, but there is still a note of \$1,000 to be met. This it is hoped will be paid soon, so that the work may not be hampered in its progress.

It is the purpose of those who are behind the movement to establish an industrial home for the training of the boys and girls beneath its roof in basket making, sewing, shoemaking, ironing, cooking, washing and ironing and other domestic labor.

The association which has the home in charge has expressed deep gratitude to plasterers, tinners, carpenters, whitewashers, lumber dealers and others who have given of their time and labor towards making the home comfortable. There is still much to be done, and the association hopes for material assistance towards the physical, mental and moral uplift of these colored children. Mrs. W. W. Archer and Mrs. J. Calvin Stewart are in charge of the work of securing funds.

Following is a list of those who have contributed to the cause:

Contributed to the cause:	
Mrs. Anna R. Jamieson	\$ 1.00
Miss Lucy Stewart	50.00
Miss Annie Stewart	50.00
Miss Norma Stewart	50.00
Miss E. Hope Stewart	50.00
Blair Bolling	10.00
Miss Lulu B. Douglass	10.00
Dr. G. B. Johnson	1.00
Sixth M. B. Zion Church (col.)	10.00
Mite boxes, col. public schools	61.51
Thanksgiving Day	
Mr. and Mrs. T. H. Ellett	1.00
Mrs. D. A. Brown	2.00
Mrs. Agnes Carter	2.00
John L. Williams	10.00
Mrs. M. M. Gilliam	10.00
Annie Crawley (col.)	50.00
Henry Jackson (col.)	50.00
Mrs. Breeden	1.00
Cash	1.00
Mrs. Wyson	1.00
Colored church, Fredericksburg	6.00
Herbert W. Jackson	25.00
T. C. Williams	25.00
Miss Mary Williams	25.00
John L. Williams (additional)	10.00
Mrs. Charles E. Whitlock	30.00
R. G. Cannon	10.00
Through W. J. Straus	2.00
P. H. Mayo	50.00
Mrs. Mary McGuire	5.00
John L. Williams, orthoped	10.00
John P. Branch	10.00
James H. Dooley	10.00
Mrs. Alsop	15.00
Contributed through Mrs. H. Baskervill	
Carl	125.00
Anonymous	3.00
Mrs. William Preston	5.00
Mrs. Lottie Cannon	10.00
Miss E. Hope Stewart (additional)	50.00
Mrs. Joseph R. Jamieson (Boston)	5.00